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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patent Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This is submitted in response to an Office Action mailed on June 19, 2002 for the above identified patent application.

Please amend the patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the paragraph on page 4, beginning on line 19 as follows:

Each one of the first, second and third polymeric materials of the composite layers preferably comprises a thermoplastic polymeric material. In one embodiment of the invention, at least two of the first, second and third polymeric materials have

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